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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONTROLLING VEHICLE  
DECELERATION IN AN ADAPTIVE SPEED CONTROL  
SYSTEM BASED ON VEHICLE SPEED

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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**In The Specification:**

On page 1 of the Specification, after the title, please insert the following:

*b1*  
This application is a continuation of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/867,824, filed on May 30, 2001, which in turn is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/470,365 filed on December 22, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,285,945.  
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**In The Claims:**

Please replace claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 14 and 15, and add new claims 17 and 18 as shown below. A marked up version of the amended claims is attached to this Response.

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*cont.*  
3. (Second Amendment) In an adaptive speed control system for a vehicle, a method for controlling vehicle deceleration, the method comprising: